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POLICY COMMITTEE

Friday, August 6, 2010
9:30 A.M.

Courthouse & Government Center
Board of Commissioner's Room

REPORT

Members Present: Carl Rutske, Chairperson, Edward Haik, and Allan O'Shea

Others Present: Thomas Kaminski, County Controller/Administrator; Marilyn Kliber, County Clerk; Jill Nowak, Chief Deputy County Clerk; and Karen Molby, Personnel Officer/Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 A.M.

ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

The Committee reviewed an Application for Education Assistance from the Manistee County Education Fund submitted by Marilyn Kliber, County Clerk, on behalf of Jill Nowak, Chief Deputy County Clerk. Ms. Nowak is seeking a Bachelor's Degree - Business Administration with anticipated completion date in December 2010.

Mr. Kaminski advised the Committee that once all of the previously approved Education Fund requests are paid, the Education Fund will have a negative balance of \$3,153.43. Sheriff Kowalkowski has offered to pay the most recent request for Paul Woroniak in the amount of \$1,638.00 out of the Sheriff's Office Training Fund. This would bring the deficit balance to \$1,515.43. The Committee was also reminded that the Board requested that only \$1,000.00 be budgeted in the Education Fund line item for the FY 2010-11 budget and that these funds be earmarked for employee recognition gifts.

Ms. Kliber presented the Committee with a Memorandum requesting that Ms. Nowak's Education Fund request be considered during the FY 2010-11 budget process and that her request be acknowledged as timely in the event funds became available in the future.

After review and discussion,

Mr. O'Shea recommended that Education Fund Application submitted by Marilyn Kliber, County Clerk, on behalf of Jill Nowak, Chief Deputy County Clerk, in the amount of \$3,069.00 be acknowledged as a timely request. No alternative recommendation was proposed.

The Committee reviewed several Resolutions from other Counties. After reviewing the same,

Mr. Haik recommended that the County Board pass a Resolution which opposes the moving of \$2.6 million from the Sheriff's Secondary Road Patrol fund to the Michigan State Police budget to fund troopers and radios in the Governor's proposed FY 2010-11 budget, unless this issue has already been dealt with. No alternative recommendation was proposed. (APPENDIX A)

All of the other Resolutions will be presented to the County Board at the August meeting for action, if any. (APPENDIX B)

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

There was a brief discussion regarding the practice of paying employees who leave County employment their earned vacation hours. It was explained that this item was referred to the Policy Committee by the Ways & Means Committee. The Committee agreed that the payment is appropriate and should continue to be paid to staff.

The September 3, 2010 Policy Committee was canceled due to scheduling conflicts.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

Carl Rutske, Chairperson

Edward Haik, Commissioner

Allan O'Shea, Commissioner

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APPENDIX A

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed FY 10-11 budget includes moving \$2.6 million from the Sheriff's Secondary Road Patrol fund to the Michigan State Police budget to fund troopers and radios (\$2.2 for troopers - \$400,000 MPSCS radio); and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that this action could cause the layoff of a Lenawee County officer, and in all likelihood, the impact may affect up to 167 officers statewide; and

WHEREAS, the Secondary Road Patrol is funded by a \$10.00 assessment on all moving traffic violations and, since 2003, no General Fund contribution has been included in its funding; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan State Police, through enabling legislation, receive a like assessment of \$10.00 for trooper funding; and

WHEREAS, the Secondary Road Patrol is a successful program spanning 30 years and is monitored for compliance with provisions of PA 416 by the Office of Highway Safety Planning which has stated in the 2008 Secondary Road Patrol Annual Report that "OHSP believes the Secondary Road Patrol Program has played a significant role in Michigan's traffic safety picture and that having a visible law enforcement presence on secondary roads has had a positive impact on driver behavior"; and

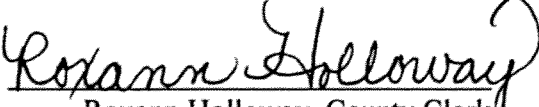
WHEREAS, should this proposal be implemented, it will require the 416 Act to be opened and amended, at which time the fund could be further depleted by additional amendments for various other "worthy" causes.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners goes on record opposing the proposal to move \$2.6 million from the Sheriff's Secondary Road Patrol fund to the Michigan State Police budget to fund troopers and radios; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Granholm, our State Legislators, the Michigan Association of Counties and the other 82 Michigan counties.

PASSED by roll call vote of the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on June 9, 2010 in the Old County Courthouse, Adrian, Michigan.


James E. Van Doren, Chair


Roxann Holloway, County Clerk

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VAN BUREN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION ☐ MOTION ☐ REPORT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, the police departments throughout the state of Michigan depend, in part, upon part-time law enforcement officers for protection of the citizens and community, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) adopted an administrative rule mandating that police officers must work a minimum of 520 hours to remain certified, and

WHEREAS, the opposition to this 520 hour rule has been overwhelming, widespread, and near unanimous, and

WHEREAS, the current law (with no hourly standard) has worked for more than 45 years, and the proposed 520 hour rule is being implemented with no legitimate stated and valid purpose, and

WHEREAS, an organized movement of Police Chiefs has successfully lobbied for legislation to set the minimum hour standard at 120 hours, as described in Senate Bill 449, and

WHEREAS, the 120 hour compromise is equal to the **only other hourly certification** standard in the nation, being the State of Idaho, and

WHEREAS, Senate bill 449 passed on June 25, 2009 on a bi-partisan and unanimous vote of 34 to 0, and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 449 has languished in the House Judiciary Committee since June 25, 2009, without being sent to the floor for a vote, and

WHEREAS, failure of the House to pass Senate Bill 449, as written, will cause an unfunded mandate when County Sheriff's have to fill the void of local departments cutting officers, the loss of local control, as well as the loss of more police officers from our streets.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Van Buren County Board of Commissioners hereby calls upon the House of Representatives to swiftly pass Senate Bill 449, as written.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent by the Van Buren County Clerk, once adopted, to the Speaker of the House, as well as to the 82 other county boards of commissioners, requesting that they adopt said resolution and send it to the Speaker of the House.

Signed:

Danah A. Hansen
Mike Roth
Richard Luciani
Mark A. Lee
Ronald Gaffney
Susan Hammond
Thomas P. Erdman

Date: July 27, 2010

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MOTION BY: HansenCARRIED ☒SECONDED BY: HammondNOT CARRIED ☐

July 27, 2010

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

WHEREAS, Public Act 312 of 1969 (P.A. 312) guarantees certain public safety employees binding arbitration, and in most cases this has placed a costly burden on local units of government; and

WHEREAS, the original argument supporting this act was the need to insure that, for the general public good, all public safety employees would be on the job serving the public instead of on the picket lines; but since that time it is illegal for any public employee to strike; and

WHEREAS, Bills 6154 in the House and 1072 in the Senate were introduced to guarantee county corrections officers binding arbitration in a fashion very similar to P.A. 312; and

WHEREAS, the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners believes that neither county government nor the taxpayers of the State of Michigan are in a financial position to expand binding arbitration to any additional employees; and

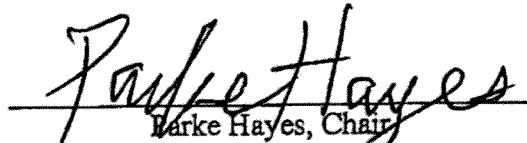
WHEREAS, Michigan's counties have made it clear that this type of costly legislation not only creates a new unfunded mandate, but adds financial burdens to counties that will likely result in increased layoffs of public safety officers; and

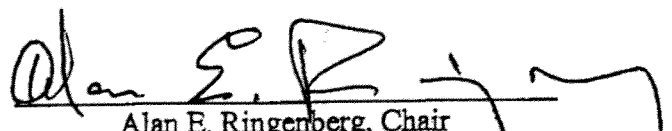
WHEREAS, Corrections officers who work for the State of Michigan do not have the benefit of binding arbitration largely because the state itself cannot financially sustain the potential increased cost this would bring.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners do hereby urge Michigan's Legislators to oppose House Bill 6154 and Senate Bill 1072; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be submitted to the Governor, members of the Michigan Legislature and all 83 counties.

Respectfully submitted,


Parke Hayes, Chair
Public Safety Committee


Alan E. Ringerberg, Chair
Hillsdale County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON JULY 27, 2010.

July 21, 2010

Dear fellow Commissioner:

The attached resolution is self-explanatory in the body of the resolution, but I wanted to send this personal note asking that you give consideration to offering the same (or similar) resolution at your next Board of Commissioners meeting.

As commissioners, we see resolutions like this fairly frequently, and I wanted to stress how important the issue behind this resolution is. The Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) adopted a rule that takes effect in January of 2012 that mandates that certified Police Officers in Michigan must work a minimum of 520 hours per year to stay certified.

This will decimate the use of many part-time officers in our state, including many Sheriff's Departments. There is only one other state that has an hourly standard, being Iowa, with 120 hours. Currently, and for the last 45 years, Michigan has not had a specific number of hours to stay certified.

Those Counties that do not use part-timers for their Sheriff's Departments will still be impacted by this 520 hour rule, if it stands. As Township and Village police departments are forced to cut back on part-timers, those calls for service will shift to the Sheriff's Departments, typically, without extra funding.

Senate Bill 449 was a compromise that sets the hours at 120 hours, a number that departments that are impacted have said they can live with. It passed out of the Senate on a vote of 34 to 0, but is languishing in the House Judiciary committee (since June 25 of last year).

Please pass a resolution in support of Senate Bill 449, and send it to Speaker Andy Dillon, who has the ability to see that the bill is sent to the floor for a vote. Additionally, providing a copy to the State Representatives serving your county will be helpful.

My thanks,

David K. Elwell
4 term Jackson County Commissioner
30 year police officer
5 year Police Chief



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Jackson County

Resolution

RESOLUTION (07-10.26) SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF SENATE BILL 449 AS WRITTEN BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS, the police departments throughout the state of Michigan depend, in part, upon part-time law enforcement officers for protection of the citizens and community, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards (MCOLES) adopted an administrative rule mandating that police officers must work a minimum of 520 hours to remain certified, and

WHEREAS, the opposition to this 520 hour rule has been overwhelming, widespread, and near unanimous, and

WHEREAS, the current law (with no hourly standard) has worked for more than 45 years, and the proposed 520 hour rule is being implemented with no legitimate stated and valid purpose, and

WHEREAS, an organized movement of Police Chiefs has successfully lobbied for legislation to set the minimum hour standard at 120 hours, as described in Senate Bill 449, and

WHEREAS, the 120 hour compromise is equal to the **only other hourly certification standard** in the nation, being the State of Idaho, and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 449 passed on June 25, 2009 on a bi-partisan and unanimous vote of **34 to 0**, and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 449 has languished in the House Judiciary Committee since June 25, 2009, without being sent to the floor for a vote, and

WHEREAS, failure of the House to pass Senate Bill 449, as written, will cause an unfunded mandate when County Sheriff's have to fill the void of local departments cutting officers, the loss of local control, as well as the loss of more police officers from our streets.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jackson County Board of Commissioners hereby calls upon the House of Representatives to swiftly pass Senate Bill 449, as written.

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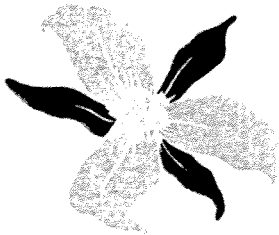
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be sent by the Jackson County Clerk, once adopted, to the Speaker of the House, as well as to the 82 other county boards of commissioners, requesting that they adopt said resolution and send it to the Speaker of the House.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to adopt this resolution.

Yeas: _____ Nays: _____ Abstain: _____ Absent: _____

Resolution adopted by the Jackson County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on **July 20, 2010**.

James E. Shotwell, Jr., Chairman
Jackson County Board of Commissioners
July 20, 2010



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ANTRIM COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
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Chairman:

July 14, 2010

At the July 8, 2010 meeting of the Antrim County Board of Commissioners, the following Resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION #26-10 by Michael Crawford, seconded by Jerroll Drenth

WHEREAS, HB 5882 contains an increase for Juvenile Justice Residential Programs (detention facilities) of \$7.00 per child per day; and

WHEREAS, counties would be required to pay half of that increase; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of this funding increase is 42.7 million or \$1.3 million each to the state and the counties; and

WHEREAS, eliminating this funding increase would reduce the state budget by \$1.3 million and save counties the same amount; and

WHEREAS, there has been no reason given for the increase; and

WHEREAS, juvenile justice was not included in the lawsuit settlement of the Children's Rights, so that cannot be the issue; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Antrim County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes this increase for residential facilities as it is nothing more than yet another unfunded mandate and urges the state to eliminate this funding increase; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, Senator Jason Allen, Representative Kevin Elsenheimer, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the other 82 Michigan Counties.

Yes – Drenth, Dawson, Bargy, White, Howelman, Crawford, Stanek, Blackmore, Hayes;

No - None;

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION #26-10 DECLARED ADOPTED.

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ANTRIM COUNTY CLERK, BELLAIRE MI
STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF ANTRIM, ss
I, Laura Sexton, Clerk of the County of Antrim, do certify
the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the original
record now remaining in this office.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have set my hand and
official seal at the Village of Bellaire in said county
this 14th day of July, 2010



Laura Sexton

County Clerk

RESOLUTION

To: The Honorable Board of Commissioners
Huron County
Michigan

WE, the FINANCE COMMITTEE, respectfully beg leave to submit the following resolution for your consideration:

WHEREAS, HB 5882 contains an increase for Juvenile Justice Residential Programs (detention facilities) of \$7.00 per child per day; and

WHEREAS, counties would be required to pay half of that increase; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of this funding increase is \$2.7 million or \$1.3 million each to the state and the counties; and

WHEREAS, eliminating this funding increase would reduce the state budget by \$1.3 million and save counties the same amount; and

WHEREAS, there has been no reason given for the increase; and

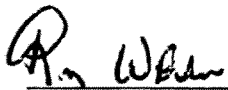
WHEREAS, juvenile justice was not included in the lawsuit settlement of the Children's Rights, so that cannot be the issue; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Huron County Board of Commissioners hereby opposes this increase for residential facilities as it is nothing more than yet another unfunded mandate and urges the state to eliminate this funding increase; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be sent to Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, Senator James Barcia, Representative Terry Brown, the Michigan Association of Counties, and the other 82 Michigan Counties.

Respectfully submitted,

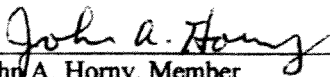
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Ron Wruble, Chairman



James G. Leonard, Vice Chairman

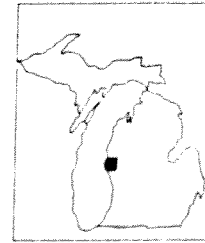


John A. Horny, Member

Dated: June 22, 2010



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RESOLUTION RE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION ALLOCATION FORMULA

Moved by Mr. Brown and seconded by Ms. Kolbe to adopt the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the Michigan Public Health Code directs the Office of Substance Abuse Services to "...recommend to the governor and legislature criteria for a formula basis for the distribution of substance abuse state and federal funds for substance abuse treatment and prevention"; and

WHEREAS, a 2005 Performance Audit of the Bureau of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services recommended that "...BSAAS review its methodology for allocating funds to its regional CAs to help insure that funding for substance abuse prevention and treatment services is based on the needs for those services in each region."; and

WHEREAS, BSAAS agreed with the audit finding and convened and facilitated an Advisory Formula Allocation Workgroup; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Formula Allocation Workgroup recommended an allocation formula to BSAAS in August of 2005 that has not been implemented; and

WHEREAS, Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services, Inc. is the Regional Coordinating Agency for the Counties of Alcona, Alpena, Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Clare, Crawford, Emmet, Gladwin, Grand Traverse, Iosco, Isabella, Kalkaska, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Missaukee, Montmorency, Oceana, Ogemaw, Osceola, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, Roscommon and Wexford; and

WHEREAS, the annual allocation of funds by BSAAS to Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services is nearly \$1.1 million less than determined by the formula developed by the Advisory Formula Allocation Workgroup; and

WHEREAS, the lost funding causes reduced services for the residents of the 30 Counties served by Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services; and

WHEREAS, the funding inequity results in disproportionate human and financial costs within the referenced counties, including increased medical, law enforcement, judicial and other costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Oceana County Board of Commissioners urges the Michigan Department of Community Health Bureau of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services to immediately begin the implementation of the allocation formula as recommended by the Advisory Formula Allocation Workgroup in August of 2005; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Michigan Department of Community Health Bureau of Substance Abuse and Addiction Services, to the Boards of Commissioners for each of the thirty counties served by Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services and to Northern Michigan Substance Abuse Services.

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Roll call vote: Brown, yes; Kolbe, yes; Powers, yes; Simon, yes; Byl, yes; Malburg, yes; and, Van Sickle, yes. Motion carried.

CERTIFICATION:

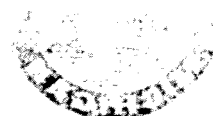
The undersigned, being the Clerk of Oceana County, does hereby certify that on the 22nd day of July, 2010, the Oceana County Board of Commissioners did adopt the above Resolution at its Regular Meeting.



Rebecca J. Griffin, Clerk
Oceana County
Board of Commissioners



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RESOLUTION

ASIAN CARP ~ GREAT LAKES PROTECTION

WHEREAS, Michigan is home to one of the world's largest freshwater coastlines in the world that supports a thriving tourism trade, fishing industry, and provides the State a unique competitive advantage in attracting jobs and investment; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes provide 20% of the World's freshwater and recent studies have tied more than 800,000 jobs to the Great Lakes and estimated the Great Lakes fishery economy at \$7 billion (<http://www.greatlakes.org/>); and

WHEREAS, a lack of action and understanding regarding the fragile nature of the Great Lakes eco-system has allowed numerous invasive species to enter the Great Lakes with harmful impacts; and

WHEREAS, the Asian carp has proven to be highly detrimental to the safety of people and the health of eco-systems in the United States where the fish are now established; and

WHEREAS, the Asian carp can grow up to six feet and one hundred pounds, some are easily frightened by boats and personal watercraft, which causes them to leap as high as eight feet into the air injuring boaters by collisions with the fish; and

WHEREAS, the Asian carp is considered to be voracious plankton feeder, eating up to 40% of its body weight per day, that could breed quickly, and dominate food supplies within the Great Lakes harming precious gaming fish; and

WHEREAS, two species of Asian carp have now spread through the Mississippi River basin into the Chicago Waterway System that connects to the Great Lakes and have been detected at the edge of Lake Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Attorney General Mike Cox and numerous elected officials have sought comprehensive action to close connections in the Chicago Waterway system to Lake Michigan in order to create a permanent separation between the waterways that have already been invaded by the Asian carp and the Great Lakes, an action that is supported by the states of Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota, New York and Pennsylvania and the Canadian Province of Ontario; and

WHEREAS, further inaction could have extreme and detrimental consequences on the ecology of the Great Lakes should the Asian carp enter the lakes system and begin to breed.


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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners, urges Congress and the President of the United States to take all necessary precautions to protect the Great Lakes from the Asian carp and the eventual economic and ecological disaster; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to President Barack Obama, U.S. Senators Debbie Stabenow and Carl Levin, U.S. Congressman Mark Schauer, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm, Senator Cameron Brown, Representative Dudley Spade, the Michigan Association of Counties, the Agricultural Advisory Committee, and all Michigan Counties.

PASSED by roll call vote of the Lenawee County Board of Commissioners at a regular meeting held on July 14, 2010 in the Old County Courthouse, Adrian, Michigan.


James E. Van Doren, Chair


Roxann Holloway, County Clerk